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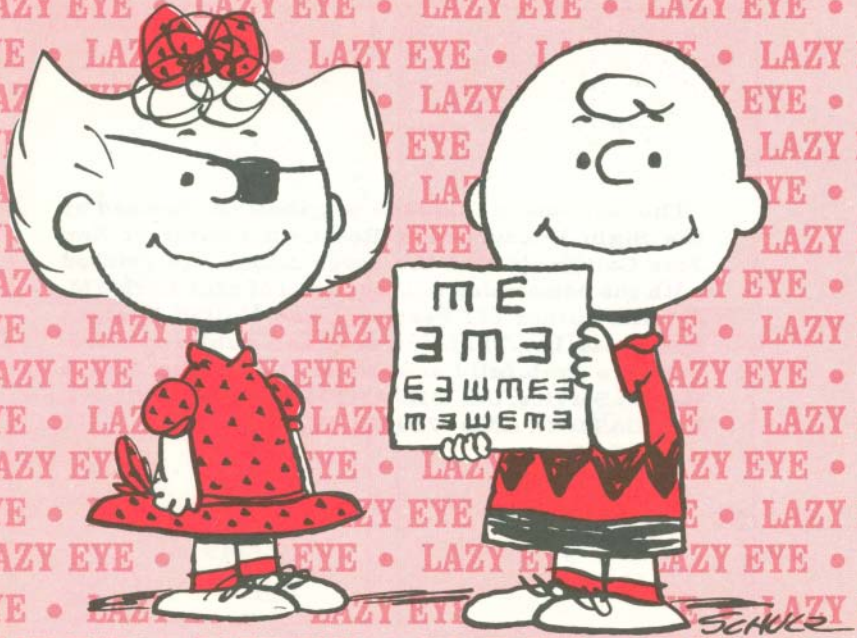

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AN EYE PATCH? WHY IN THE WORLD SHOULD I PUT ON AN EYE PATCH?
BECAUSE I'M GOING TO TEST YOU FOR "LAZY EYE"...THIS IS ONLY A HOME TEST, BUT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT..
11-29
HERE, PUT ON THE EYE PATCH..
YO HO HO AND A BOTTLE OF RUM!
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PEANUTS
I'M WEARING THIS EYE PATCH SO YOU CAN TEST ME FOR WHAT?
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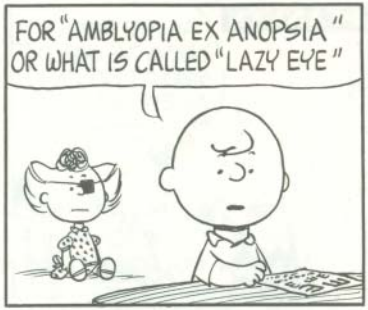
11-30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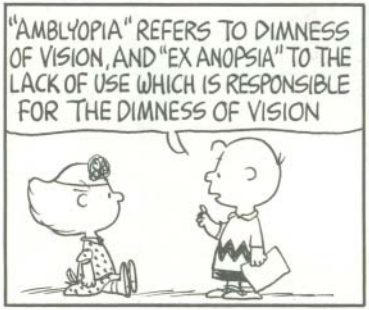
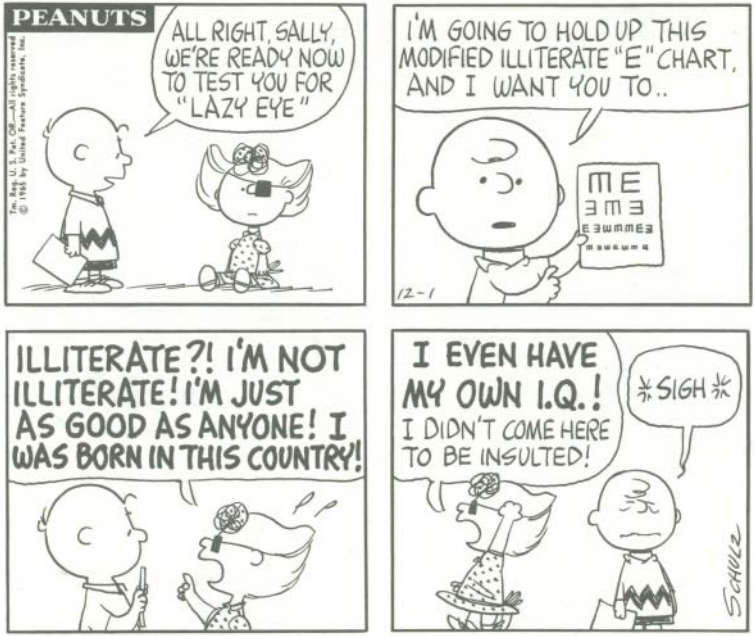

"AMBLYOPIA" REFERS TO DIMNESS OF VISION, AND "EX ANOPSIA" TO THE LACK OF USE WHICH IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE DIMNESS OF VISION

ARE YOU SURE THIS DOESN'T HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE "NEW MATH"?
OH, GOOD GRIEF!
SCHULZ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ALL RIGHT, SALLY, WE'RE READY NOW TO TEST YOU FOR "LAZY EYE"
I'M GOING TO HOLD UP THIS MODIFIED ILLITERATE "E" CHART, AND I WANT YOU TO..
12-1
ILLITERATE?! I'M NOT ILLITERATE! I'M JUST AS GOOD AS ANYONE! I WAS BORN IN THIS COUNTRY!
I EVEN HAVE MY OWN I.Q.! I DIDN'T COME HERE TO BE INSULTED!
SIGH
SCHULZ

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HERE, TAKE YOUR STUPID OL' EYE PATCH! THIS IS TOO MUCH TROUBLE!
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BUT I HAVE TO TEST YOU FOR AMBLYOPIA EX ANOPSIA...
I DON'T WANT TO BE TESTED FOR AMBLYOPIA EX ANOPSIA OR OOPSY DOOPSY EX FOOPSIA OR ANYTHING ELSE!
OOPSY DOOPSY EX FOOPSIA?!
12-2
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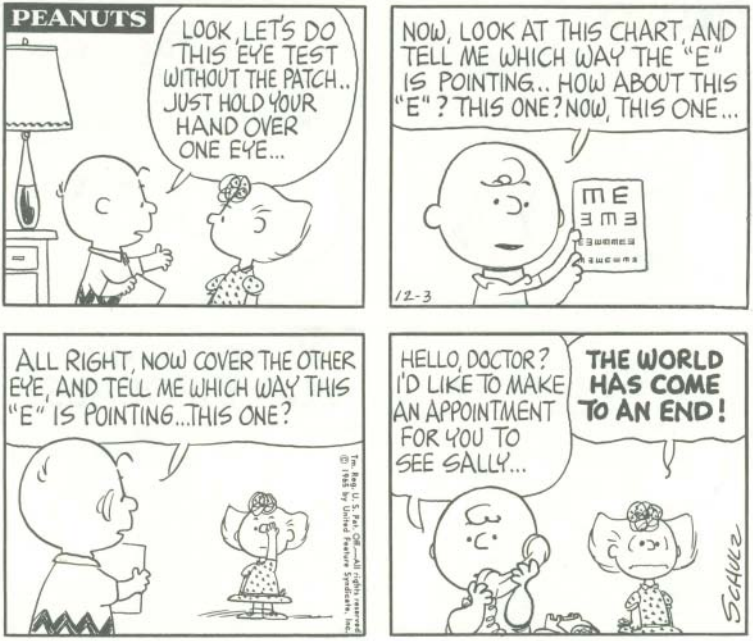
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LOOK, LET'S DO THIS EYE TEST WITHOUT THE PATCH.. JUST HOLD YOUR HAND OVER ONE EYE...
NOW, LOOK AT THIS CHART, AND TELL ME WHICH WAY THE "E" IS POINTING.. HOW ABOUT THIS "E"? THIS ONE? NOW, THIS ONE...
12-3
ALL RIGHT, NOW COVER THE OTHER EYE, AND TELL ME WHICH WAY THIS "E" IS POINTING...THIS ONE?
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HELLO, DOCTOR? I'D LIKE TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT FOR YOU TO SEE SALLY...
THE WORLD HAS COME TO AN END!
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WELL, I HOPE YOU'RE SATISFIED! I HAVE TO GO SEE AN OPHTHALMOLOGIST!
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BUT JUST BECAUSE YOU FAILED OUR HOME EYE TEST, IT DOESN'T MEAN SOMETHING IS DEFINITELY WRONG WITH YOUR EYES... YOU'RE LUCKY YOU'RE GETTING THEM CHECKED...
12-4
I SUPPOSE SO, BUT I CAN TELL YOU ONE THING...
I'M NOT GONNA WEAR BIFOCALS!
SCHULZ

PEANUTS
YOU DID HAVE A "LAZY EYE" DIDN'T YOU?
YES, MY OPHTHALMOLOGIST SAID I HAVE TO WEAR THIS PATCH FOR SIX MONTHS..
BUT JUST THINK...AFTER THAT MY EYE WILL BE ALL RIGHT...HE PUT THE PATCH ON MY GOOD EYE SO THE WEAK ONE WILL WORK HARDER
12-6
HOW DO I LOOK WITH AN EYE PATCH?
YOU LOOK FINE...YOU REALLY DO...
I FEEL LIKE AN AD FOR MEN'S SHIRTS!
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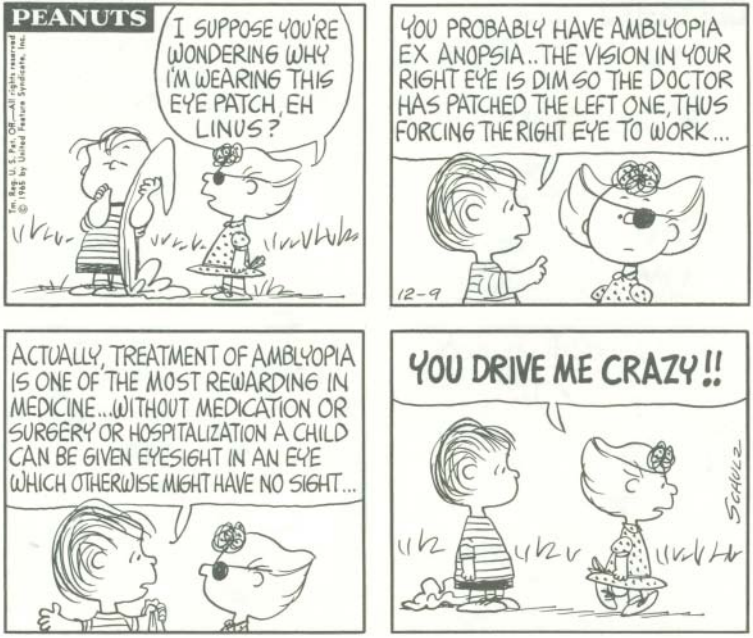
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I SUPPOSE YOU'RE WONDERING WHY I'M WEARING THIS EYE PATCH, EH LINUS?
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YOU PROBABLY HAVE AMBLYOPIA EX ANOPSIA..THE VISION IN YOUR RIGHT EYE IS DIM SO THE DOCTOR HAS PATCHED THE LEFT ONE, THUS FORCING THE RIGHT EYE TO WORK...
12-9
ACTUALLY, TREATMENT OF AMBLYOPIA IS ONE OF THE MOST REWARDING IN MEDICINE...WITHOUT MEDICATION OR SURGERY OR HOSPITALIZATION A CHILD CAN BE GIVEN EYESIGHT IN AN EYE WHICH OTHERWISE MIGHT HAVE NO SIGHT...
YOU DRIVE ME CRAZY!!
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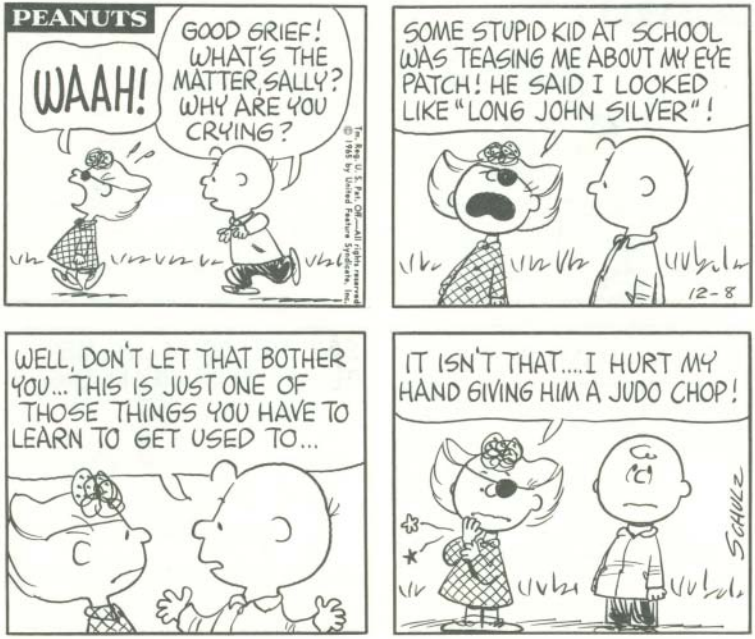
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WAAH!
GOOD GRIEF! WHAT'S THE MATTER, SALLY? WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
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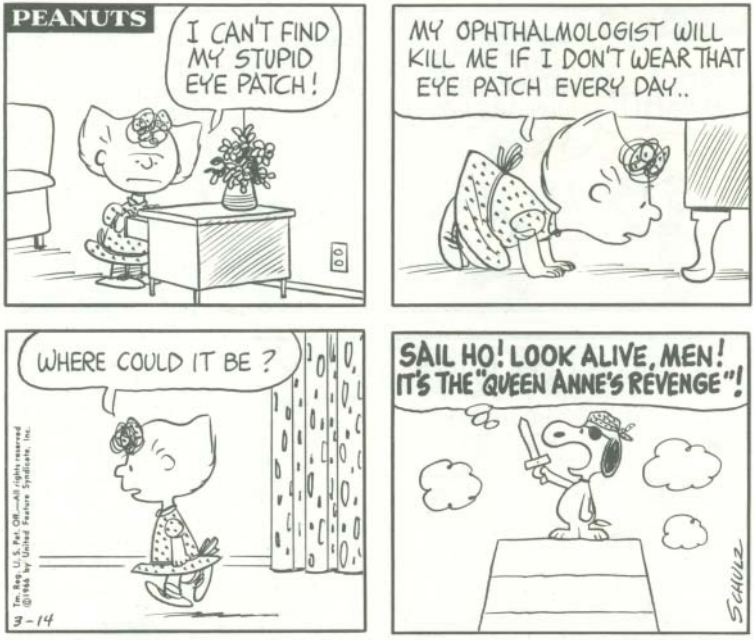
SOME STUPID KID AT SCHOOL WAS TEASING ME ABOUT MY EYE PATCH! HE SAID I LOOKED LIKE "LONG JOHN SILVER"!
12-8
WELL, DON'T LET THAT BOTHER YOU... THIS IS JUST ONE OF THOSE THINGS YOU HAVE TO LEARN TO GET USED TO...
IT ISN'T THAT.... I HURT MY HAND GIVING HIM A JUDO CHOP!
SCHULZ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I CAN'T FIND MY STUPID EYE PATCH!
MY OPHTHALMOLOGIST WILL KILL ME IF I DON'T WEAR THAT EYE PATCH EVERY DAY..
WHERE COULD IT BE ?
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10-14
SAIL HO! LOOK ALIVE, MEN! IT'S THE "QUEEN ANNE'S REVENGE"!
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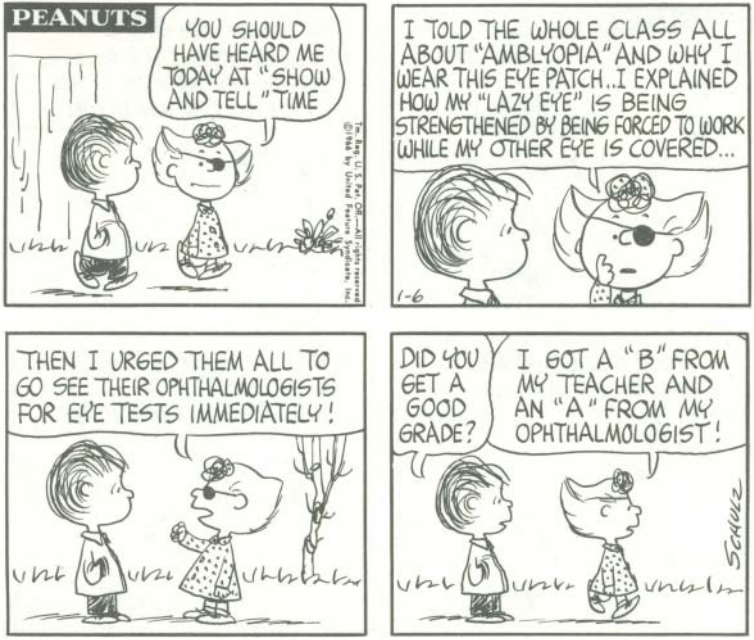
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YOU SHOULD HAVE HEARD ME TODAY AT "SHOW AND TELL" TIME
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I TOLD THE WHOLE CLASS ALL ABOUT "AMBLYOPIA" AND WHY I WEAR THIS EYE PATCH..I EXPLAINED HOW MY "LAZY EYE" IS BEING STRENGTHENED BY BEING FORCED TO WORK WHILE MY OTHER EYE IS COVERED...
1-6
THEN I URGED THEM ALL TO GO SEE THEIR OPHTHALMOLOGISTS FOR EYE TESTS IMMEDIATELY!
DID YOU GET A GOOD GRADE?
I GOT A "B" FROM MY TEACHER AND AN "A" FROM MY OPHTHALMOLOGIST!
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PEANUTS
SOME STUPID KID IN SCHOOL TODAY ASKED ME WHY I'M WEARING THIS EYE PATCH..
12-14
I SAID TO HIM," YOU STUPID KID, I'VE BEEN WEARING IT FOR A WEEK, AND YOU'RE JUST NOTICING IT NOW?!" THEN I KNOCKED HIM DOWN!
IT'S STRANGE, THOUGH...
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I'M NOT AS SENSITIVE ABOUT THIS EYE PATCH AS I THOUGHT I WAS GOING TO BE!
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PEANUTS
MY OPHTHALMOLOGIST JUST SAID THAT MY "LAZY EYE" IS DOING FINE..
HE SAID I SHOULD BE ABLE TO TAKE THIS PATCH OFF IN TWO MONTHS!
THAT'S AMAZING!
3-16
MY OPHTHALMOLOGIST AND I REGARD THIS AS A MAJOR MEDICAL TRIUMPH...
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WITH NOTHING MORE THAN A SIMPLE EYE PATCH, WE HAVE BROUGHT AMBLYOPIA TO ITS KNEES!
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